

78 WEST 43RD STREET,
BAYONNE, N.J.

MRS. EFFIE MANLEY,
55 SOMERSET STREET,
NEWARK, N.J.

DEAR MRS. MANLEY:

ON ALL SIDES, I HAVE HEARD NOTHING BUT FAVORABLE COMMENTS OF THE OPENING GAME AT RUPPERT STADIUM, SUNDAY LAST, FEATURING THE NEWARK EAGLES. ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR ORGANIZATION WHO WAS PRESENT, BROUGHT THE FIRST HAND INFORMATION THAT AT LEAST 35000 PERSONS WERE IN ATTENDANCE. A SPLENDID SUCCESS SUCH AS THAT, MUST BRING A GREAT DEAL OF PERSONAL SATISFACTION TO YOU, AND DESERVEDLY SO. MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND THE NEWARK EAGLES, WITH BEST WISHES FOR A CONTINUED SUCCESSFUL SEASON.

EVERYTHING IS MOVING ALONG SMOOTHLY FOR OUR PROGRAM ON THE 1ST. THE TICKETS ARE READY AND THE HANGERS WILL BE OFF THE PRESS FRIDAY AFTERNOON OF THIS WEEK. WE PLAN DISTRIBUTION OF THE HANGERS OVER THE WEEK END, AFTER WHICH WE SHALL SWING INTO ACTION ON ALL FRONTS. THE TICKETS ARE NUMBERED FROM 1 TO 3000, AND WE HAVE SECURED 200 EXTRA TICKETS OF A DIFFERENT COLOR TO BE DISTRIBUTED WITH THE HANGERS FOR WHICH A CHARGE OF \$.25 WILL BE MADE.

A LETTER IS GOING TO THE COMMISSIONERS EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO THE GAME AND ALSO SOLICITING THEIR SUPPORT. DURING A RECENT TALK, THE COMMISSIONERS ASSURED ME THAT THEY WILL PUT THE FULL WEIGHT OF THEIR OFFICE BEHIND THE AFFAIR, AND THIS IN TURN WILL ASSURE US OF AN ADVANCE SALE AMONG THE CITY EMPLOYEES. SUCCESS ALREADY SEEMS ASSURED, CLEAR SKIES PERMITTING.

OUR ENTHUSIASM OVER THIS COMING EVENT IS ALL THE KEENER BECAUSE IT IS GOING TO BE THE MEDIUM THROUGH WHICH GREATER OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR OTHER GAMES, AND TOO IT WILL SERVE AS AN INTRODUCTION TO BAYONNE OF SOME OF THE BETTER TEAMS OF COLORED PLAYERS. OF COURSE WE HAVE THE NEWARK EAGLES IN MIND IN THIS CONNECTION AND ALREADY, ON SO SHORT AN ACQUAINTANCE, WE FEEL A CLOSE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP.

THANKING YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND ANTICIPATING A GALA DAY JUNE 1ST, 1 AM,

VERY TRULY YOURS,

SHB:HB.

Samuel H. Branch

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